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Application No.: 10/040,942
Reply To Office Action of June 30, 2004

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :
Borders et al. :
Application No.: 10/040,942 : PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF
Filing Date: January 9, 2002 : RECONSTITUTABLE BEAN PRODUCTS
TC/A.U.: 1761 :
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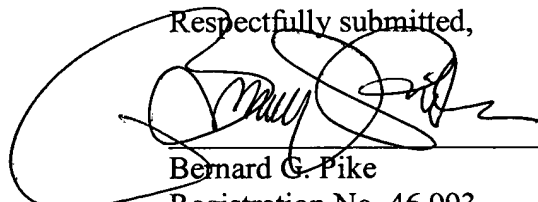
Communication in Response to Office Action

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2004 ("Office Action"),

Applicants submit a petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) in order to keep the above-referenced patent application pending so that a new patent application may be filed properly claiming priority to the above-referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,


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